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REMARKS:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated May 4, 2005, in which claims 1, 3-10, 12-23, 71-74, and 77-82 were allowed; claims 24, 55-58, 63-66, 75, 76, and 83 were rejected; and claims 11 and 60-62 were objected to, claims 3, 12, 55, 56, 61, 62, 76, and 78 have been amended; and claims 11, 24, 57-60, 63-66, 75-76, and 83 have been cancelled so as to place the other pending claims into condition for allowance.

Claim objections due to informality

Claims 3, 11, 12, 56, 57, 62, 63, 76, 78, and 83 were objected to due to informalities. With this amendment, claims 3, 12, 56, 62, 78 have been amended to remove the informalities thereof, and claims 11, 57, 63, 76, and 83 have been cancelled. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claim rejection under section 112 2nd paragraph

Claim 83 was rejected under section 112 2nd paragraph. This rejection is moot in view of the cancellation of claim 83 with this amendment.

Claim rejection under 103 (a)

Claims 24, 63-66, 75, and 76 were rejected under 103(a) over Linder in view of Grasser. With this amendment, claims 24, 63-66, 75, and 76 are cancelled.

Claims 55-59 were rejected under 103(a) over Linder in view of Grasser. However, claim 60 was indicated as being allowable if rewritten into independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intermediate claims. With this amendment, claim 55 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of allowable claim 60, as well as the subject matter of the intermediate claims 57-59. Accordingly, claims 57-60 have been canceled; and claim 61 is amended to maintain the correct dependency.

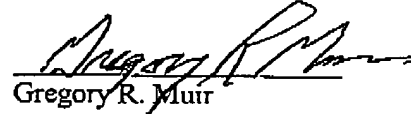
The remaining pending claims 1, 3-10, 12-23, 71-74, and 77-82 were allowed.

The application is considered in good and proper form for allowance, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. In the event any fees are required in

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connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 501516.

Respectfully submitted,



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